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MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

EXECUTIVE

DATE

August 21, 1974

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~~LETTER, MEMO, ETC.~~

TO: The President

FROM: William E. Timmons

SUBJECT: Congress



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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN *it*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON
August 21, 1974

ACTION

*Bill prepare
Call request
w/ talker
as reminder
for Pres.
D.*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: William E. Timmons *pd*

SUBJECT: Congress

There is some movement within Congress to have a lame duck session. Pressure is mounting for this Congress to:

- confirm Rockefeller
- enact Health Insurance
- raise Members' salaries
- enact Tax Reform
- clean up other outstanding legislation

Some point out these items cannot be handled in short September-October term. Also, Members can tell the voters they haven't finished their work and will return to complete action on nation's pressing problems, etc. This obviously works for re-election of incumbents.

I feel a lame duck session would be a disaster from the Administration's point of view and recommend you talk privately with Scott, Rhodes, Mansfield and the Speaker to try to have sine die adjournment by mid-October at latest.

AGREE *MR. T*

DISAPPROVE _____

SEE ME _____




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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 22, 1974

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
FROM: JERRY H. JONES 
SUBJECT: Congress

Your memorandum to the President of August 21 on the above subject has been reviewed and agreement was given to the points raised. It has been requested that you prepare a telephone call recommendation with talking points and return to the Office of the Staff Secretary by noon, today.

Thank you.



cc: Al Haig